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SUBJECT: CSCE: CONFIDENCE- BUILDING MEASURES

HELSINKI FOR USDEL MPT; VIENNA FOR USDEL MBFR

REF: (A) HELSINKI 0677; (B) USNATO 1288

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1. US CONTINUES TO BELIEVE THAT MILITARY SECURITY TOPIC AT CSCE SHOULD BE LIMITED TO TWO CONFIDENCE BUILDING MEASURES ALREADY AGREED UPON IN NATO, VIZ., PRIOR NOTIFICATION OF MOVEMENTS AND MANEUVERS, AND EXCHANGE OF OBSERVERS. WHILE WE HAVE INDICATED WILLINGNESS TO SEE FAVORABLE MENTION OF MBFR AND OF DISARMAMENT AS A PART OF CSCE OUTCOME RPT OUTCOME, WE SEE NO NEED FOR THIS TO BE INCLUDED IN MANDATE ON MILITARY SECURITY.

2. WE CONTINUE TO OPPOSE EFFORTS OF NEUTRAL AND NON-ALIGNED STATES, AND SOME ALLIES TO BROADEN MILITARY SECURITY TOPIC IN CSCE TO INCLUDE LINK TO MBFR, TO DEAL WITH SPECIFIC DISARMAMENT QUESTIONS, TO FORMULATE DECLARATION ON FORCE LEVELS AND ACTIVITIES, OR TO BROADEN CBM'S. ON THE OTHER HAND, WE WOULD WISH TO REACH UNDERSTANDING THAT A MAJOR MOVEMENT, ESPECIALLY ACROSS NATIONAL FRONTIERS, SHOULD QUALIFY FOR PRIOR NOTIFICATION. FOR TIME BEING, WE BELIEVE EC NINE SHOULD CONTINUE TAKE THE LEAD ON THIS ISSUE, BUT WE HOPE THAT IT WILL NOT BECOME BOGGED DOWN IN BYZANTINE DEBATE ON DEFINITIONS.

3. FOR USDEL MPT: YOU SHOULD INFORM CONCERNED DELS THAT US POSITION ON MILITARY SECURITY QUESTION REMAINS UNALTERED. YOU SHOULD REITERATE POINT MADE IN PARA 4, REF A, THAT IF DUTCH AND OTHERS PRESS FOR BROADENING OF MILITARY SECURITY ITEM, WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO REMAIN SILENT IN OPPOSITION.

4. FOR USNATO: YOU MAY DRAW ON THE ABOVE AS APPROPRIATE IN POLADS DISCUSSION MARCH 27, AND IN DISCUSSIONS WITH OTHER REPS.

5. FYI: IF WE ARE TO BE SUCCESSFUL IN SELLING OTHER SIDE ON PRIOR NOTIFICATION OF MOVEMENTS, AS OPPOSED TO MANEUVERS, SOME THOUGHT WILL NEED TO BE GIVEN TO ISSUES SUCH AS HOW MUCH ADVANCE NOTIFICATION, THE SIZE OF MOVEMENT THAT WOULD BE CONSIDERED MAJOR, ETC. FORMULATIONS SHOULD BE DESIGNED TO BE ACCEPTABLE AS POSSIBLE TO WARSAW PACT STATES WITHOUT DEPRIVING THE MEASURE OF ITS POLITICAL SIGNIFICANCE, AND ON OTHER HAND SHOULD NOT INTERFERE WITH NORMAL NATO ACTIVITIES. WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY PRELIMINARY VIEWS WHICH USNATO OR CONFIDENTIAL

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USDEL MPT MIGHT HAVE ON HOW BEST TO HANDLE THIS

MATTER. END FYI. ROGERS

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